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Senators introduce legislation to invigorate downtowns

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Who: State Sen. Jason Allen, R-Traverse City, and other members of the

Michigan State Senate and House of Representatives.

What: Press conference on the introduction of a legislative package designed to

help invigorate downtowns in communities across Michigan.

When: Wednesday, March 23

9 a.m.

Where: Michigan State Capitol

Room 402/403

Lansing

Briefing: Legislators will discuss the remaining initiatives of the Creating

Opportunities for Renewed Economies – CORE – package as well as new

initiatives added to the package.

New components of the CORE legislation include a bill that would reserve 0.5 percent of the transportation fund earmarked for non-motorized trails to be used for sidewalk development within a city or village limit.

Other new legislation in the CORE package would allow multiple buildings to share an elevator, creating additional opportunities to accommodate residential or commercial purposes on upper floors of multi-

story downtown buildings.